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Application No.: 09/957,451) Examiner: Darwin P. Erezo
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For:	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR FOLDING AND SECURING TISSUE) VIA EFS-WEB)

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Copies of the listed U.S. patents are not enclosed.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents

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the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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